Indian workers employed in Gulf countries

2188. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian workers working in Iraq, Kuwait and other gulf countries as on 31st January, 1990;

(b) the corresponding figures of these workers during the years 1986-87, 1987-88 and 1988-89; and

(c) the number of foreign nationals employed in India alongwith the names of countries to which these nationals belong?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Monitoring of slaughter houses in the country

2189. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to monitor slaughter houses in the country to ensure that the animals are not butchered mercilessly;

(b) whether Government propose to enact laws for the maintenance of proper conditions of the animal markets for keeping animals and birds; and

(c) if so, whether Government have any plan for proper transportation for these helpless creatures?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) to (c). No, Sir. The slaughter house and animal markets are under the control of State Local bodies|Corporations|Municipalities. All aspects of slaughtering are being handled by them.

Setting up of vanaspati units in Orissa

2190. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a great scope of setting up of some vanaspati plant in Orissa;

(b) if so, the number of vanaspati plants proposed to be set up in that State; and

(c) the details of the specific proposal received from the State Government in that regard?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA) (a) to (c). The total licensed capacity of vanaspati in Orissa is 45000 tonnes per annum as against actual consumption of around 10,000 tonnes. No vanaspati plan is proposed to be set up in that State at present. No proposal in this regard from the State Government is pending with Government of India.

Clearence to proposal for fishing harbour in Orissa

2191. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal for construction of fishing harbour on the sea coast of Orissa submitted by the State Government has been cleared;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) by when the proposal is likely to be implemented; and

(d) if answer to part (a) above be in the negative; what are the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. The details of the fishery harbours sanctioned by the Government of